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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Coad  
Serial No.: 09/680,064  
Filed: October 4, 2000  
Confirmation No.: 8739  
For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR COLLAPSING A GRAPHICAL  
REPRESENTATION OF RELATED ELEMENTS**

Examiner: T. Engberg  
Art Unit: 2124

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**NOTICE OF APPEAL AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby appeals from the Examiner's Final Rejection of claims 1-43, all the claims in the above-identified application. A check for \$1320 to cover the Notice of Appeal and 3-month Extension of Time fees is enclosed.

If any further Extension of Time or additional fees for the accompanying response are required, Applicant requests that this be considered a Petition therefore. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account 501923.

Respectfully submitted,

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